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Serial No.: 09/726,736; Filed: November 29, 2000

Title: Semiconductor Mounting Apparatus with a Chip Gripper Traveling Back and Fourth
 TRP Docket No: ESEC-P32US-D1

Dear Sir or Madam:

Respectfully submitted is an Amendment and Response to Final Office Action, which was filed/mailed on October 8, 2003 for the above referenced case. Applicant hereby requests the Examiner to consider this Amendment and pass claims 15-40 to issue. If, in the opinion of the Examiner, an interview would expedite the prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to call the undersigned attorney at (408) 282-1856.

Documents enclosed:

- 1) Copy of postcard mailed on October 8, 2003 (1 page);
- 2) Final Office Action transmittal (1 page);
- 3) and Amendment and Response to Final Office Action (20 pages)

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Applicant: Samuel Schindler

Title: SEMICONDUCTOR MOUNTING APPARATUS WITH A CHIP GRIPPER TRAVELLING BACK AND FOURTH

TRP Docket No: ESEC-P32US-D1

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RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

Dear Sir:

This paper is responsive to the office action dated August 13, 2003. Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 10 of this paper.

An Attachment which provides reference numerals, begins on page 18 of this paper.